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PATENT APPLICATION
Docket No. 16497.138.2

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re application of)
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For:	ARTICULATING SUTURING DEVICE AND METHOD)
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Examiner:	Julian W. Woo)
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TRANSMITTAL FOR AMENDMENT "D"
AND REQUEST FOR CONTINUED EXAMINATION AND PETITION FOR EXTENSION
OF TIME

VIA eFILE RCE
Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Dear Sir:

This is a Request for Continued Examination (RCE) under 37 CFR § 1.114 for the above-identified application.

A. Enclosed

X RCE Transmittal

X An Amendment "D" and Response for entry in the present application.

X To render this RCE and Amendment timely filed, enclosed is the following:

X Petition for a Two (2)-Month Extension of Time. (\$490.00)

B. Payments

- X E-filer with RAM will be used for submission of payment in the amount of \$1300.00 to cover the following fees:
- X the \$810.00 RCE filing fee pursuant to 37 CFR § 1.17(e); and
- X the \$490.00 petition fee for the 2-month extension of time.
- X No other additional fee is required.
- X The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge payment of the following fees associated with this communication or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 23-3178.
- X Any additional filing fees required under 37 CFR § 1.16.
- X Any patent application processing fees under 37 CFR § 1.17.
- X Any post-issuance fees under 37 CFR 1.20.
- X If any additional extension of time is required, which has not otherwise been requested, please consider this a petition under 37 CFR 1.136 (a) to extend the reply period for this communication and charge any additional fees that may be required to Deposit Account No. 23-3178.

Please address all future correspondence in connection with the above-identified patent application to the attention of the undersigned.

Dated this 23rd day of February, 2009.

Respectfully submitted,

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